## Kristi Heilman - Medicade waver

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CHAIR Rep. Teresa Henry

I would like to speak up for our Medicaid Waver Program, I run a small assisted living home. The people here in my home have so much more "one on one" type of care, They are part of a family. They are never pushed out in a hall an hour before meals just to stare at the back of someone's head.

People cannot afford the nursing home prices or even that of moving into it. I really don't understand the "kick-back" the government gets when people are placed in homes or nursing home . I think if they are private pay, they may be able to pay on their own a while before having to ask for help. That alone should be a point to think about. There art a lot of assisted living homes with open rooms with people who really have a love for elderly people. Please help them as well as their families by adding more slots to the Medicaid waiver program. Thank you for your time and energy you put into this program. June's House Assisted Living.